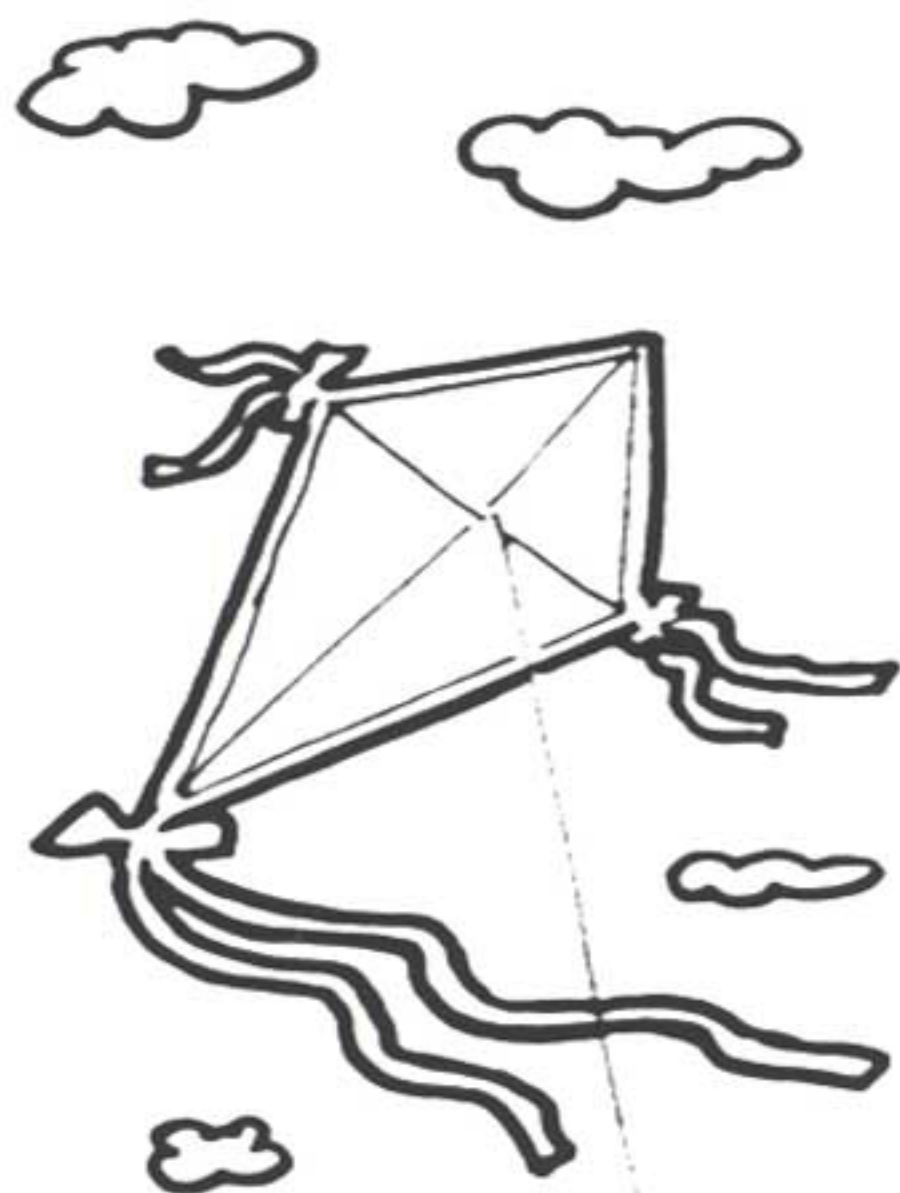
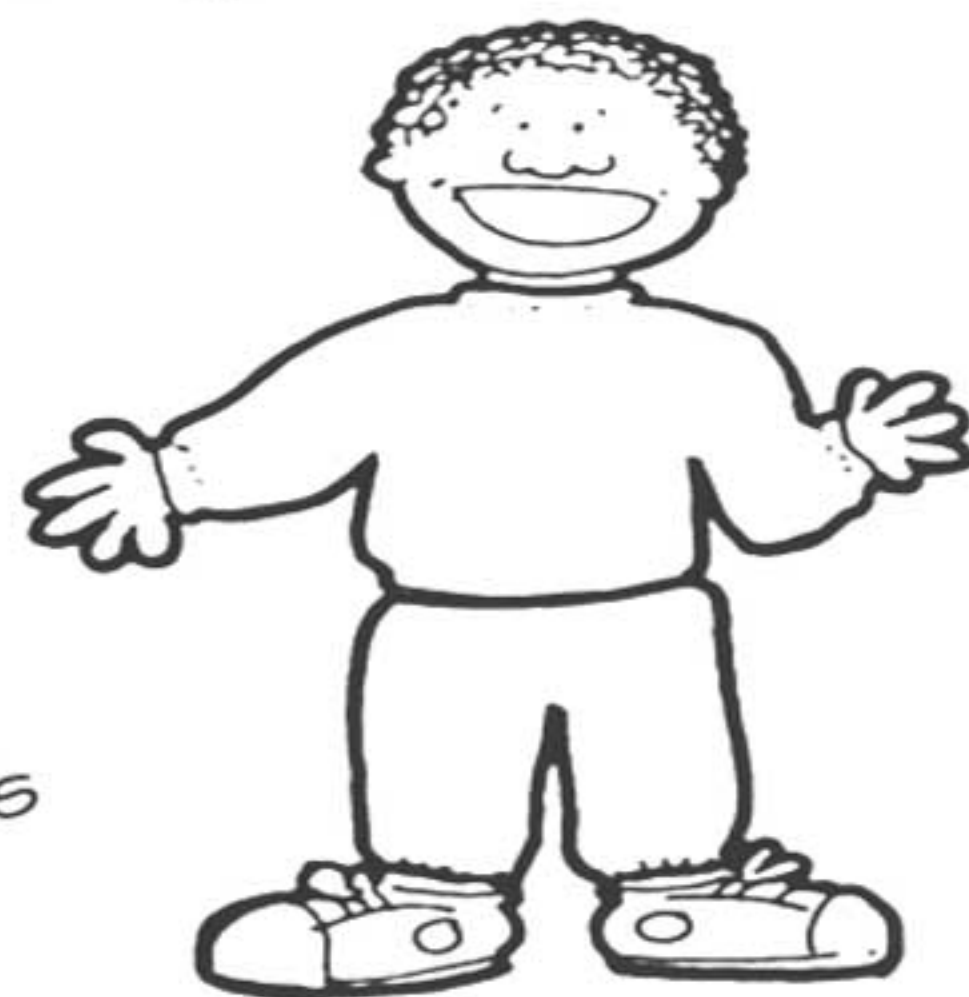




# What happens when my job is over?

Some kids don't want to know what happens in court after they've finished being a witness. Other kids want to come back and find out what the judge or jury decides about the case. We can always talk to the Commonwealth's Attorney about what we'd like to do.



If the judge or jury finds the defendant not guilty of breaking the law, the defendant is free to go. If the defendant is found guilty, one of the things the judge must decide is how to keep the defendant from breaking the law again. To do this, sometimes the judge sets rules about what the defendant can and can't do, sometimes the judge makes the defendant pay money, and sometimes the judge sends the defendant to jail, and sometimes the judge makes the defendant get help.

If we have any questions about what the judge decides in the case, we can ask the Commonwealth's Attorney.

After it's all over, some kids feel sad or upset. We should all talk to someone we trust about how we feel.

Whatever happens, we'll have done an important job by being witnesses. And we'll have learned a lot about court and what goes on there.

